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Summary

The present document contains the provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the second regular session of 2002 of the Executive Board. The annex contains the proposed timetable and organization of work for the session.

* Document submission was delayed to allow further consultation with Board members.

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Annotated provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session: statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director

The President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director will make introductory statements.

2. Adoption of the provisional agenda and timetable and organization of work

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/11]

The provisional agenda has been structured in accordance with relevant Executive Board decisions, in particular the programme of work for 2002 adopted by the Board at its December 2001 session (E/ICEF/2001/6/Rev.1, decision 2001/23). The proposed timetable and organization of work, which has been shared with the Bureau, is contained in the annex.

Decisions will be adopted as the discussion of each agenda item is concluded. However, if required, time will be set aside for Board members to consult informally on all outstanding draft decisions.

3. Proposals for UNICEF programme cooperation:

(a) Country programme recommendations

[For action]

A total of 25 CPRs are being submitted to the Executive Board for approval. Of those, 15 have been prepared as addenda to the country notes considered by the Board at its first regular session of 2002, pursuant to decision 1995/8 (E/ICEF/1995/9/Rev.1). In accordance with that decision, those CPRs will be approved on a "no objection" basis, and any member wishing that a particular country programme be brought before the Board for discussion is required to inform the secretariat of its intention in writing by Tuesday, 3 September 2002.

The breakdown by region is as follows: Eastern and Southern Africa — Botswana and Comoros (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.1/Add.1 and E/ICEF/2002/P/L.2/Add.1, respectively); West and Central Africa — Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea-Bissau, Mali and Mauritania (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.3/Add.1-E/ICEF/2002/P/L.7/Add.1, respectively); Americas and the Caribbean — Bolivia and a multi-country programme for the Eastern Caribbean (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.8/Add.1 and E/ICEF/2002/P/L.9/Add.1, respectively); East Asia and the Pacific — Pacific island countries and Papua New Guinea (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.10/Add.1 and E/ICEF/2002/P/L.11/Add.1, respectively); South Asia — India and Maldives (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.12/Add.1 and E/ICEF/2002/P/L.13/Add.1, respectively); and Middle East and North Africa — Djibouti and Jordan (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.14/Add.1 and E/ICEF/2002/P/L.15/Add.1, respectively).

In addition, there are 10 short-duration ("bridging") or stand-alone other resources proposals being submitted for Board approval. They are: Congo; Democratic Republic of the Congo; Liberia; programme for the Andean region (PROANDES); Amazon subregional; East Timor; Afghanistan; Gulf Area Office;

country programmes for Belarus, Russian Federation and Ukraine; and multi-country programme for Bulgaria, Latvia, Lithuania and Croatia (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.25-E/ICEF/2002/P/L.34, respectively).

(b) Recommendation for additional regular resources for approved country programmes

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/P/L.35]

The Executive Board is requested to approve additional regular resources for approved country programmes which lack sufficient funds to cover the programme period due to revised planning levels for regular resources allocations.

The "round-up" paper (E/ICEF/2002/P/L.36) summarizes the recommendations for regular resources and other resources programmes for 2002.

4. Innocenti Research Centre: progress report and proposed activities for 2003-2005

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/13]

Submitted to the Executive Board every three years, this report summarizes the work carried out by the Centre during 2000-2002 and contains proposals for the next triennium (2003-2005) for Board consideration and approval.

5. Global strategy on infant and young child feeding

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/CRP.13]

In response to consideration of the global commitment to appropriate infant and young child nutrition by the Fifty-fifth WHO World Health Assembly (A55/15 of 16 April 2002) and adoption of a decision on the global strategy on infant and young child feeding (WHA55.25 of 18 May 2002), the Executive Board will have before it for review this global strategy. The Executive Board is requested to approve a draft decision on infant and young child feeding.

6. Cash assistance to Government in the context of UNICEF programme cooperation modalities

[For information — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.5]

This report was prepared in response to Executive Board decision 2001/6, adopted at its first regular session of 2001, to revert to the issue of CAG on the basis of a report on its current practice and financial regulations and rules.

The Board will also have before it for review the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on this document (E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.6).

7. Decisions taken by the Economic and Social Council: oral report

At its third regular session in September 1995, the Executive Board agreed that the report of the Economic and Social Council would be presented orally at the first session following the Council's substantive session, with a more comprehensive written report being presented at the first regular session of the following year

(E/ICEF/1995/9/Rev.1, paragraph 470). This oral report focuses on issues of concern to UNICEF related to the conclusions and follow-up of the Council's substantive session of 2002.

8. Medium-term strategic plan for the period 2002-2005: financial plan and related recommendation

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.9]

To be presented annually, based on the MTSP approved by the Executive Board at its second regular session in December 2001 (decision 2001/22), the Board is requested to approve the medium-term financial plan for the period 2002-2005.

9. Private Sector Division

(a) Financial report and statements for the year ended 31 December 2001

[For information — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.3]

The Executive Board will have before it for review the PSD financial report for the year ended 31 December 2001.

(b) Progress on the development of the comprehensive Private Sector Division business plan: oral report

As requested by the Executive Board in its decision 2002/6 (E/ICEF/2002/8 (Part I)), adopted at its first regular session in January 2002, the secretariat will report orally on the progress achieved in the development of a comprehensive PSD business plan.

10. UNICEF financial report and statements for the end of the biennium 2000-2001 and report of the Board of Auditors

[For information — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.2]

This document contains the financial report on the accounts of UNICEF for the biennium 2000-2001. It is presented to the Executive Board for information.

11. Report to the United Nations Board of Auditors and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

[For information — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.7]

As an ongoing practice, UNICEF has been submitting a report to the General Assembly, through the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, to advise the Assembly as to the measures that the organization takes to implement the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors. This document reports on the steps taken or to be taken in response to the recommendations of the Board of Auditors on the UNICEF accounts for the biennium 1998-1999. The focus of the report also relates to those recommendations that at the time of the previous report were either not implemented or only partially implemented.

12. Internal audit activities for 2001

[For information — E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.8]

This report responds to the Executive Director's proposal at the 1997 second regular Executive Board session to issue an annual report on UNICEF internal audit activities for Board consideration.

13. Programme of work for 2003

[For action — E/ICEF/2002/14]

The Executive Board will consider the issues to be addressed at its sessions in 2003 and its programme of work, including the allocation of items and organization of work.

14. Other matters

The Board may consider discussing any other issues that it finds timely and appropriate under this agenda item.

15. Closing of the session: remarks by the Executive Director and the President of the Executive Board

The Executive Director and the President of the Executive Board will make concluding remarks, followed by the closure of the session.

Annex

Proposed timetable and organization of work for the second regular session of the Executive Board 16-20 September 2002*

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* When consideration of an agenda item concludes ahead of the allocated time, the next item on the agenda will be taken up for consideration and the timetable adjusted accordingly.